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RESPONSE TO DECISION ON RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

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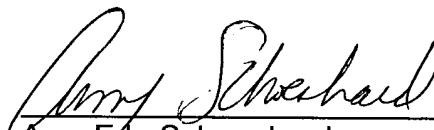
This paper is in response to the Decision, dated July 20, 2006, regarding the applicants' Renewed Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b) filed May 24, 2006, responsive to the Decision on Petition mailed April 14, 2006, responsive to the Petition filed September 2005, which was filed in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated March 9, 2005, indicating that the oath/declaration of inventor Piero Del Soldato is missing.

At this time, applicants enclose an oath/declaration executed by Piero Del Soldato, the inventor of the above-identified U.S. patent application. As such, the applicants respectfully submit that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.497 have been satisfied and that the previously filed Petitions and Decisions have been rendered moot.

For at least the above reasons, the applicants respectfully request that the Office of PCT Legal Administration forward the file to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for further processing. Any further delay will cause irreparable harm to the invention. If any questions or issues remain, the Office of PCT Legal Administration is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to help with their resolution.

As this response is filed within two months of the Decision on Petition, the applicants do not believe that a fee is due. If this response is not timely filed, the applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any over-payments to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 026220-00055.

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Enclosure: Oath/Declaration executed by Piero Del Soldato

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